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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Previously Presented) A job controlling method in a computer system which includes a host computer and a storage apparatus, comprising:
- storing condition information including a plurality of conditions for controlling the host computer or the storage apparatus;
- defining a job for executing a process for the host computer or the storage apparatus with a parameter for executing;
- calculating an inconsistency degree of the defined job with the condition information by comparing the parameter of the job with the condition information;
- outputting a result of comparison of the parameter of the job with the condition information, the result including an inconsistency degree;
- if the inconsistency degree is within a predefined threshold, then executing the job according to the parameter; and
- if the inconsistency degree is not within the predefined threshold, then changing the parameter of the job according to the result of the comparison and recalculating the inconsistency degree.
 - 22. (Canceled)
- 23. (Currently amended) A job controlling method according to claim 21, wherein a job set is defined based on [[the]] <u>a</u> plurality of jobs, [[and]] <u>wherein a</u> weighting is defined in the plurality of conditions, <u>and wherein</u> the method further <u>comprising comprises</u>[[:]] outputting <u>a</u> result of <u>a</u> comparison of the job set with the condition information according to the

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inconsistency degree and the weighting.

24. (Previously Presented) A job controlling method according to claim 23, further comprising:

obtaining operation information and performance information of the host computer and the storage apparatus;

changing the condition information according to the obtained information; comparing the job with the changed condition information; changing the parameter of the job according to the result of the comparison.

25. (Previously Presented) A management computer coupled to a host computer and a storage apparatus via a network, comprising:

a network interface to be coupled to the network;

a memory coupled to the network interface; and

a processor coupled to the network interface and the memory;

wherein the memory stores condition information which defines a plurality of conditions for managing the host computer and the storage apparatus, for a plurality of jobs executed with parameters for executing;

wherein the processor refers to the condition information in response to an input of job information of a job for executing a process for the host computer or the storage apparatus, compares the condition information and the parameter included in the job information, calculates an inconsistency degree of the parameter with the condition information, and outputs a result of comparison of the condition information and the parameter included in the job information, the result including an inconsistency degree;

wherein if the inconsistency degree is within a predefined threshold, then the processor executes the job according to the parameter, and

wherein if the inconsistency degree is not within the predefined threshold, then the processor changes the parameter of the job according to the result of the comparison, and recalculates the inconsistency degree. Appl. No. 10/805,023

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26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently Amended) A management computer according to claim 25, wherein a job set is defined based on [[the]] a plurality of jobs, [[and]] wherein a weighting is defined in the plurality of conditions; and

wherein the processor outputs \underline{a} result of \underline{a} comparison of the job set with the condition information according to the inconsistency degree and the weighting.

28. (Previously Presented) A management computer according to claim 27, wherein the processor obtains operation information and performance information of the host computer and the storage apparatus, changes the condition according to the obtained information, compares the job with the changed condition information, and changes the parameter of the job according to the result of the comparison.